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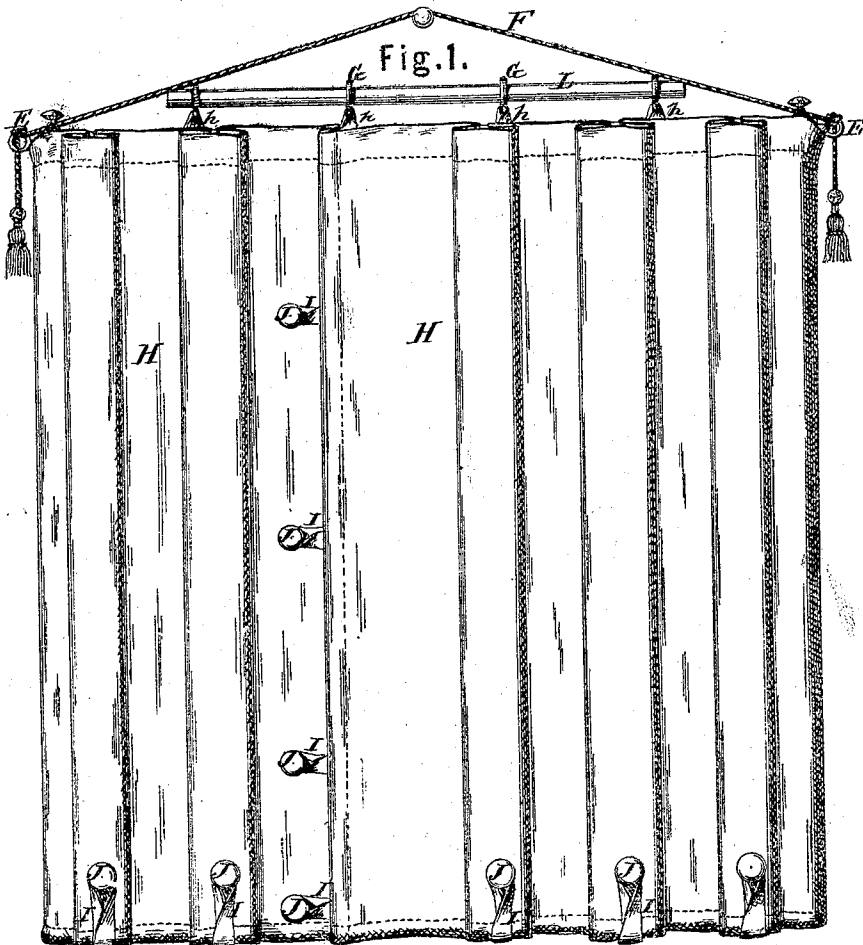
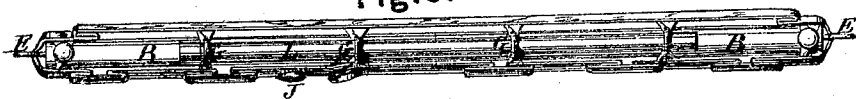


Fig. 2.



Fig. 3.



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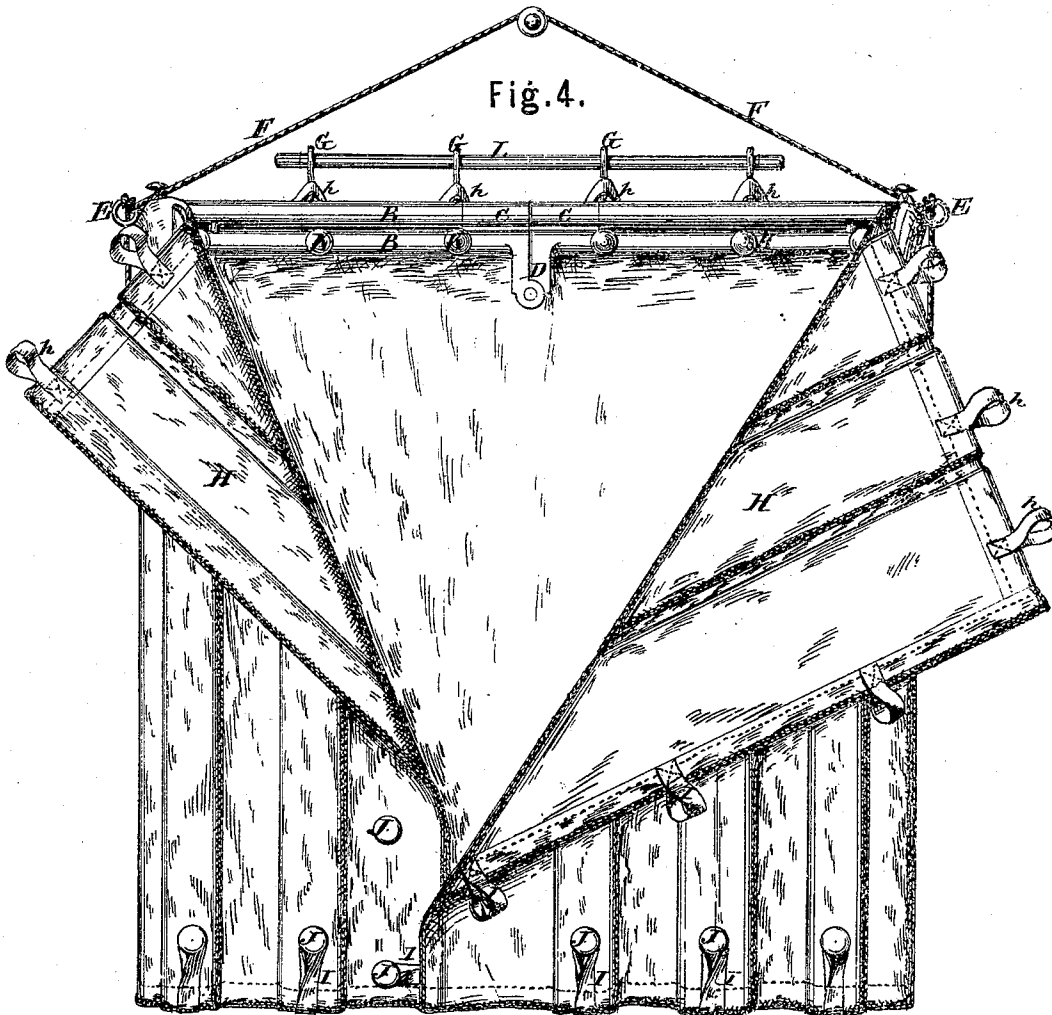
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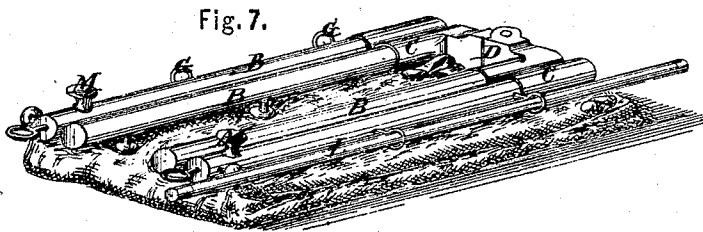
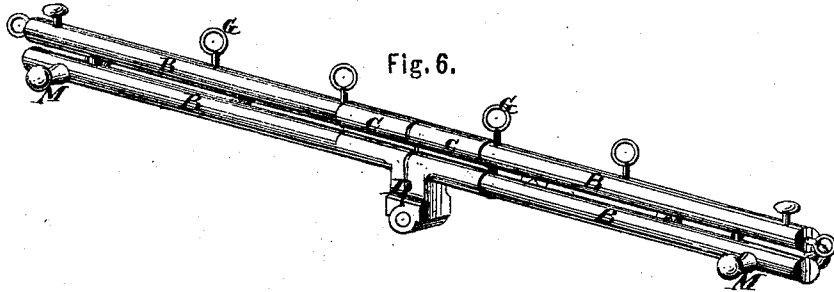
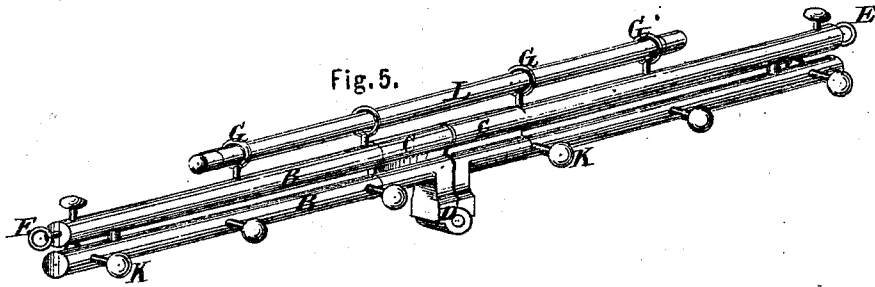
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IMPROVEMENT IN PORTABLE WARDROBES.

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Specification of an Improved Portable Wardrobe, invented by THEODORE R. TIMBY, of Tarrytown, in the county of Westchester and State of New York.

Nature and Objects of the Invention.

My portable wardrobe consists of a jointed frame provided with suitable hooks or knobs for the reception of clothing, and with removable hangings to completely protect the articles from dust or exposure. The whole is adapted to be folded into very small compass and packed in a trunk, and, when wanted, may be in a minute's time prepared for use, and hung upon simple hooks or nails, or suspended by a cord, which latter may be of an ornamental character to impart a pleasing appearance.

In the accompanying drawing, Figure 1 is a front view of my wardrobe suspended for use. Fig. 2 is a side view. Fig. 3 is a top view. Fig. 4 is a front view, showing the wardrobe partly open. Fig. 5 is a front perspective view of the frame without the hangings. Fig. 6 is a rear perspective view of the same. Fig. 7 is a perspective view of the frame and hangings folded for packing.

The main portion of the frame consists of bars B B, one or more at each side, fitted at their ends into sockets C C, which latter are preferably hinged together by a knuckle-joint, D, affording rigid support to the center when the frame is suspended by its ends, as illustrated in Figs. 1 and 4. E E are eyes at the ends of the frame for suspending it by means of a cord, F, or by simply passing the said eyes

over suitable hooks or nails in a wall or door. G G G represent screw-eyes or pins adapted to receive loops *h h* on both the rear and front portions of the hangings H, which hangings are applied completely around the frame, and depend to a sufficient length therefrom to accommodate and completely protect from dust the clothing that is to be hung within. To afford room for the clothing the hangings are made with plaits or fullness, as represented. I I' are loops catching over the buttons J J' to keep the parts of the hangings together at front and at bottom. The clothing is hung on knobs K K fixed in the lower part of the frame B. L is a rod passed through the eyes G, and serving to stiffen the frame B B while being handled. It also serves to retain the loops *h h* upon their pins. M M are knobs at the rear side of the frame intended to rest against the wall.

When the hangings are removed and folded up and the bars laid together, as shown in Fig. 7, the whole structure can be packed away in the bottom of an ordinary trunk, and will occupy but little room.

Claim.

I claim as my invention—

A portable wardrobe, consisting of folding bars B B and hangings H, constructed and adapted for use substantially as herein described.

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